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CONTAINING CARBOXYLIC ACID  
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2001, please  
amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 3 and 22 as set forth below.

1. (Thrice Amended) A process for making polymeric particles

comprising:

polymerizing ethylenically unsaturated monomers as a dispersed phase  
suspended in an aqueous phase,

wherein the ethylenically unsaturated monomers comprise at least one  
monomer A and at least one monomer B, wherein monomer A is a water soluble  
ethylenically unsaturated monomer containing a carboxylic acid group and  
monomer B is a water-insoluble ethylenically unsaturated monomer,